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Summary Report Training Scheduled for June 2003

As indicated in last month's newsletter, Cal/EPA will offer training on Summary Reports 1 through 4. Attendance should be considered for anyone who collects, prepares, or reviews the information contained in the Summary Reports. Dates and locations for the training are attached.

Scholarships for Cal/EPA's 10th Annual Environmental Cross Media Enforcement Symposium
There are a limited number of scholarships available for environmental regulators who are interested in attending Cal/EPA's 10th Annual Environmental Cross Media Enforcement Symposium, but may not be able to participate due funding issues. The "full-ride" scholarships cover the Symposium registration fee, hotel accommodations, and reasonable travel expenses (state travel rules apply).

If you are interested in a scholarship, please contact Jacqueline Wilson ASAP at (916) 322-8272. In addition please submit a completed Scholarship Application Form to Jacqueline Wilson. Use the following link to access the application: www.arb.ca.gov/training/Symposium Scholarship Form.pdf

The Symposium will be held in San Diego from May 27 to May 30, 2003. The early registration deadline is May 12, 2003 (extended from the previous deadline). The Symposium web page is located at: www.arb.ca.gov/training/enfsym.htm. A printable brochure including the course agenda and registration form is also available (www.arb.ca.gov/training/Brochure.pdf)

Department of Toxic Substances Control

Schools Hazardous Waste Collection, Consolidation, and Accumulation Facilities (SHWCCAFs) The existing PBR authorization requirements for offsite Schools Hazardous Waste Collection, Consolidation, and Accumulation Facilities (SHWCCAFs) (Title 22, CCR, Chapter 45, Article 5, Sections 67450.40 et seq.) include waste management, transport, and facility operation restrictions and protections. Specifically, under the existing SHWCCAF PBR regulations, non-reactive (not shock-sensitive or explosive) hazardous wastes generated from K - 12 school science laboratories (including chemistry, physics, and biology classes) may be managed at a SHWCCAF only if certain conditions are met. One of these conditions requires that the wastes be lab packed at the generating school prior to transport to the SHWCCAF. This condition also stipulates that these lab packs cannot be reopened during transportation to the SHWCCAF, or at the SHWCCAF.

The issue of concern in the existing SHWCCAF PBR regulations is the requirement that school science laboratory waste lab packs may not be reopened at the SHWCCAF. This provision has been identified as an unnecessary and burdensome requirement that prevents school districts from repackaging partially

filled lab packs at the SHWCCAF for more efficient and economic management and transport of the wastes.

The proposed regulations would change one section of the existing requirements [section 67450.42(c)] to allow school science laboratory waste lab packs to be reopened and repackaged at the SHWCCAFs. The proposed regulatory change includes specific conditions to ensure that the lab packs are reopened and managed safely, and that human health and the environment are protected. No additional work by CUPAs is anticipated from the proposed regulations. The proposed change will help school districts save money by reducing packing material and shipping costs for transport and disposal of lab packs that are only partially filled with waste. In addition, allowing repackaging of lab packs at the SHWCCAF will help divert extra volumes of waste (in the form of multiple, partially empty lab packs) from hazardous waste disposal facilities, thereby helping to preserve hazardous waste disposal facility capacity in California, and promoting school district pollution prevention/source reduction practices.

The rulemaking public notice, initial statement of reasons, and proposed regulation text can be found on the DTSC website at

http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/LawsRegulationsPolicies/Lab Pack SHWCCAF/Lab Pack SHWCCAF regs.html

In addition, the February 2002 CUPA regulatory update for the SHWCCAFs PBR regulations can be found on the CUPA Forum website at http://www.calcupa.net/programs/hazwaste/index.html.

State Water Resources Control Board

Proposed Rulemaking UST Training Regulations

On April 28, 2003, The SWRCB held a public hearing on the proposed UST Training regulations. The full text of the proposed regulations and related material can be found at the following Web link: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/cwphome/ust/legal/new-regs/index.html

Proposed Rulemaking "Electronic Submittal of Information" Regulations

The announcement is regarding groundwater cleanup only and does not pertain to UST leak prevention requirements. The proposed regulations make permanent the existing emergency electronic submittal requirements for UST cleanup sites, expand information required to be submitted, and extend the scope to include all of the SWRCB's groundwater cleanup program sites. The proposed regulations also add new data dictionaries (the format for electronic data submittals) for these regulations to Title 27, CCR, in coordination with existing Cal/EPA Unified Program data dictionaries. For the text and related materials, use the following link: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/docs/ab2886/rulemaking/index.html

UST Program Workshop

The next UST Workshop is scheduled for May 20, 2003, topics include: AB 2481 - construction and monitoring of UST systems installed after July 1, 2003, and the Rust Loan Program. For information on the workshop visit SWRCB's website. http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/cwphome/ust/workshop/info.html

UST Local Guidance (LG) 113

The updated LG 113 (list of Leak Detection Equipment and Methods for Underground Storage Tanks) is available on SWRCB's website. http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/docs/lg113/index.html

Under-Dispenser Containment Deadline Reminder

Under-Dispenser Containment Deadline of December 31, 2003 is fast approaching. For more information view the notice at SWRCB's website:

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/cwphome/ust/docs/secondary_containment/UDC_Reminder_Final2.pdf

The Unified Program Section is interested in your comments and suggestions regarding the newsletter. Please provide comments and suggestions to Anie Wilson at (916) 327-9559 or awilson@calepa.ca.gov.

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Summary Report Training June 2003

Cal/EPA will be conducting training in June for completing the Summary Reports 1-4. Reports 2, 3, and 4 are due to Cal/EPA on September 30 and include data from July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003. Attendance should be considered for anyone who collects, prepares, or reviews the information contained in the Summary Reports.

The training will take place at six sites in California and, through a conference call and data technological bridge, on four dates in July, for anyone who cannot come to any of the training sites in June. This new technology is still being tested but should enable participants to view instruction materials via their PC while concurrently discussing those via the conference call. See additional description below. The training is expected to last for four hours and will include reworked instructions, the basis for the information collected, frequently asked questions and answers, and an opportunity for participants to ask any questions they may have about summary reporting. Following is a list of planned dates and locations for the on-site training in June and July:

On-site training

| June 10 th | Los Angeles |
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| June 11 th | San Diego |
| June 17 th | Alameda/Oakland |
| June 19 th | Madera |
| June 24 th | Redding |
| July 2 nd | Sacramento |

All CUPAs attending should contact either Kathleen Harvey or Bridget Bonilla (see last page for contact information) with the number of people planning to attend and which site, as this information will be critical to assure the training site is large enough to accommodate all attendees. If outlying CUPAs have problems reaching these sites on these dates, please contact Kathleen Harvey or Bridget Bonilla so that they may help with other arrangements.

Technology Bridge

Cal/EPA has the ability to conduct conference calling with concurrent viewing of instruction material via the web and intends to use this to conduct training for those CUPAs that cannot attend on-site training in June or July. However, to participate in the web-based training there is a mandatory, pre-requisite to participate in a pre-meeting training on the technology. This pre-meeting will be approximately 20-30 minutes on a conference call and an internet-connected computer to assure that your computer is properly configured and you can connect to the system.

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The following dates and times are set up for this pre-meeting training to determine whether you can access the system. If you intend to attend one of these pre-meetings, please email or call Kathleen Harvey or Bridget Bonilla. You must be sent information prior to these pre-meetings so that you may configure your computers to meet specific requirements. You may need to talk to your own IT personnel about these requirements and how to meet them.

Pre-Meeting Sessions

| June 18 th | 9:00 a.m. |
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| June 23 rd | 9:00 a.m. |
| June 30 th | 9:00 a.m. |
| July 3 rd | 9:00 a.m. |

Web Training

| July 9 th | 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |
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| July 16 th | 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |
| July 23 rd | 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |
| July 30 th | 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |

On Web Training dates, we cannot accept anyone into the training that has not gone through the pre-meeting training to ensure his or her IT system has been enabled to use this new technology. As noted above this can take 20-30 minutes and we will not have the time to walk anyone through the process at the beginning of the training session. This would be a significant delay and distraction to the other attendees who have participated in the pre-meeting training. Please let Kathleen Harvey or Bridget Bonilla know if you have any questions.

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